

Docket No. AB-165U

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0053] with the following amended paragraph:

[0053] In certain embodiments of the instant invention, microstimulator 150 comprises two, leadless electrodes. However, either or both electrodes 156 and 158 may alternatively be located at the ends of short, flexible leads as described in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/624,130, filed 7/24/2000, now abandoned, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. The use of such leads permits, among other things, electrical stimulation to be directed more locally to a specific nerve or nerve branch a short distance from the surgical fixation of the bulk of the implantable stimulator 150, while allowing most elements of stimulator 150 to be located in a more surgically convenient site. This minimizes the distance traversed and the surgical planes crossed by the device and any lead(s). In most uses of this invention, the leads are no longer than about 150 mm.